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WEATHER
Highest yesterday 61
Lowest last night 31
Tonight and Wednesday Rain.

FRENCH PREMIER TELLS OF NEED OF STANDING ARMY TO PROTECT AGAINST GERMANY

Germany is Feared by France—French Want Peace but Premier Points Out Facts Showing That One Time Imperial Nation Could Raise Enormous Army Quickly.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Nov. 22.—Japan, although one of Germany's foes in the world war, continues to receive increasing sympathy from newspaper commentators writing on the Washington conference. Should Japan emerge from the conference as an isolated power, the editorial writers believe she is forced to seek economical political orientation in the direction of Russia with "terminal facilities" in Germany. "A community of interests," comprising the Teutons, Slav and yellow races was suggested as one of the possibilities to be reckoned with in taking over the post-war world.

Italy Has No Fear.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Italy has no fear of any of her European neighbors and her sole desire is to have the feelings aroused by the war subsided to give way to a spirit of peace, all of the official spokesmen of the Italian delegation to the arms conference said today.

There is no disposition on the part of Italy, it was added, to question the right of France to maintain a large army inasmuch as she occupies a peculiar position.

WORK SPEEDED UP.

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The arms conference is reported to be working speedily toward agreements on both naval limitation and the Far East problems. Regarding land armaments the impression prevailed that little action would be taken. It is quite evident that America is making the strongest effort to secure the acceptance of the first two plans. The resolution introduced in the committee by Elihu Root was adopted to form the basis for a signed agreement. It relates specifically to Japan. It was learned that Britain announced the second step in the temporary naval limitation in the suspension of recruiting. Briand appeared convinced that he had accomplished his purpose in attending the conference and that of rallying the world to the support of France. "The conference has shown Germany that France does not stand alone," he said.

VOICE IS VIBRANT.

The premier's voice, ordinarily vibrant and penetrating, and particularly rich in overtones, modulated to fill the hall and no more. The effect upon the auditor was as though the speaker was speaking directly and personally to him, rather than to a large gathering. There was no display of "cold storage" eloquence. Mr. Briand had before him a slip or two of notes on the big green table, but he did not refer to them, and in this respect followed his manner of speaking from the tribune of the chamber of deputies. Five feet six and heavy of body, the French prime minister was a striking figure as he stood for adequate protection of his nation's soil.

GERMANY FEARED.

Germany, while apparently disarmed, Premier Briand told the conference, could, with her present machinery, raise an army of 6,000,000 or 7,000,000 men. At least 250,000 Germans were receiving daily military instruction, he added. Although a part of Germany evidently wants peace and is ready to get back to peace pursuits, the French premier declared the portion

Mine owner, was captured by the same bandits and later released on payments of a \$5,000 ransom. Advances from American agents in lower California indicated that the revolt there which has been in progress for the last two weeks is virtually at an end.

FATTY'S BROTHER MARRIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—William C. Arbuckle, aged 21 years, brother of Fatty Arbuckle, and Miss Gladys Knight, aged 18 years, a stenographer, were married Sunday in Redwood City. It became known today.

BUSINESS CHANGE TODAY.

A. V. Connelly and H. L. Hogan, both well known local railroad boys, have purchased the Fred Paquette cigar store and news stand on Sheridan street, taking possession of the business today. Mr. Paquette, after closing up his business affairs here, expects to leave about the first of December for Los Angeles, where he and Mrs. Paquette will locate. The new purchasers are both well known in this city and vicinity, where they have resided for a long time.

OLD DEER HUNTERS ACTIVE.

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Nov. 21.—(United Press.)—Three score and ten years have not dimmed the eyes or lessened the enthusiasm of the real old time Adirondack deer hunters. Town Clerk Williams has issued hunting licenses to twelve residents of Saranac Lake, the youngest of whom was seventy-two and the oldest seventy-nine.

OPERATIC SOPRANO DIES.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 22.—Christine Nilsson, noted operatic soprano died here today.

RED CROSS MEETING.

The Board of Directors of the Red Cross met this morning at the office of the Chamber of Commerce with all the members present. Various subjects were discussed with reference to the work to be done in the near future. The board was not able to complete their plans this morning and will hold a meeting Friday, November 25th at 7:30 p. m.

BROTHERS MAY FIGHT FOR BOXING CROWN.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 22.—(United Press.)—Brother against brother. That's what Columbus boxing fans believe will come to pass in the near future.

The two fighting O'Dowds, Phil and Eddie, are both hot on the trail of Johnny Buff, who holds both the flyweight and bantamweight championships of the world. Phil O'Dowd is a bantamweight. Eddie is a flyweight.

Eddie boxed Buff recently and showed him enough boxing gloves to set the newspaper decision over the champion, although the judges ruled otherwise. Phil broke into the spotlight by lacing Joe Lynch.

If Phil wins over the champion, he will cop only the bantamweight title, because he fights only at bantamweight—118 or 120 pounds.

Eddie is a legitimate flyweight, although he occasionally accepts a bantamweight match. If Eddie wins over Buff, he can claim both crowns, for he can fight at any weight Buff prescribes. No matter which O'Dowd boy fights Buff, if he wins, his brother will be the logical contender for the first match.

BRITON THINKS U. S. WILL STAY DRY AND PROSPER.

By Clyde A. Beale.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
LONDON, Nov. 22.—Sir Arthur Newsholme, formerly member of the Ministry of Health, discussing prohibition in America on his return here after a two years' visit to the United States, hammered another nail into the lid of the "medicines chest."

"The American public," he said, "will endorse the action already taken, and will insist on its continuance and extension, and prohibition, in my view, will remain in operation as the law of the land."

Sir Arthur views the question from the standpoint of the persons made to suffer in consequence of other persons' drinking.

"Liberation of the country from un-fair conditions rather than personal liberty, which might easily become license, is," he says, "the present social desideratum. The case for prohibition, and it is a good one, is that moral suasion acts slowly on minorities and meanwhile multitudes of innocent persons continue to suffer, and the community suffers in pocket and in efficiency."

Mrs. E. J. Lake returned to her home at Yoncalla today after a few days spent in this city receiving medical attention.

Frank Hills, who recently arrived in Roseburg from Eugene, and is one of the new proprietors of the Rose confectionery, went to Eugene Saturday where he was married. Mr. and Mrs. Hills returned to Roseburg Sunday and will make their home here. Mrs. Hills taught school near Eugene, and has visited in Roseburg on several occasions.

ARBUCKLE PARTY WAS WILD ORGY.

Girl Witness Tells of Scene in Comedian's Room on Fateful Night.

QUOTES VIRGINIA RAPPE.

Most Damaging Evidence Yet Introduced Given in Court by Show Girl—Comedian Was Attired in Bathrobe.

WAS IN GOOD HEALTH.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Alice Blake, a show girl, took the stand in the Arbuckle trial today and identified notes of a statement detailing the circumstances of Miss Rappe's death. Joseph Radeau, of Los Angeles, physical culture trainer, testified that he treated Miss Rappe for excessive weight, demonstrating for the jury the exercises he gave her. He said she was in good health.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—

The jury trying Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbuckle for manslaughter as a result of the death of Virginia Rappe, this afternoon heard the details of the "gin party" given here by Labor day by the film comedian from the lips of Zey Erevon, showgirl, and one of the state's two star witnesses.

Miss Erevon was called at 11:45 o'clock after the state had completed its medical testimony. She kept the tense courtroom waiting five minutes and then made a dramatic appearance.

She wore a blue street dress and a Hudson seal ear-hat with a gold top. She made a striking picture on the stand. As she passed the counsel table to take the stand she stared directly at Arbuckle, who evaded her gaze.

Quotes Virginia Rappe.

In a calm manner and in a drawing tone of voice the show girl gave the most damaging evidence yet adduced by the state against Arbuckle. Arbuckle exhibited the greatest nervousness apparent since the trial started during her story. His face was red and he avoided the eyes of the witness, who frequently stared directly at him.

Assistant District Attorney Leo Friedman conducted her examination for the state.

Miss Erevon said she did not know Virginia Rappe in her life time.

The witness told of arriving at the Arbuckle party at the St. Francis hotel about 1:30 p. m. on September 5. Arbuckle, Miss Rappe, Mrs. Delmont, Lowell, Sherman, Al Semnacher and Fred Fishback were there when she arrived, she said.

Comedian in Bathrobe.
Arbuckle was dressed in a bathrobe and pajamas, she said. Food and drinks were being served in quantities, the witness declared. The center of the party, she said, was in room 1223.

"About 2:30 I saw Virginia Rappe go to the bathroom of 1221," she testified. "At that time Lowell Sherman, Alice Blake and Arbuckle were in 1220."

"Mrs. Delmont was in that bathroom changing her clothes, and Miss Rappe went to room 1219. I went into room 1221 for a few seconds. I never saw how many drinks Virginia took. Before Miss Rappe went into room 1219 the guests were eating and drinking and dancing. Arbuckle had sent for a Victrola and the music was going most of the time."

"About a half hour after Miss Rappe went into 1219, I saw Mrs. Delmont go to the door.

"I'm Dying," She Cried.
"Mrs. Delmont asked that it be opened. Then she kicked on the door and I heard her saying, 'Open the door!'"

"Arbuckle opened the door. He was fumbling at his bathrobe at the waist.

"I went in and saw Virginia moaning and writhing on the bed and then I came out. Arbuckle had taken off his bathrobe. I said to him, 'You better put your bathrobe on or you'll take cold.'"

"She then described Virginia's condition.

"She was lying on the bed near the wall. She was dressed, but her hair was down and she kept moaning. 'I'm dying; I'm going to die.'"

"Then she sat up on the bed and tried to tear her waist and stockings and garters.

"Arbuckle came in and he grabbed the sleeve of her waist. Miss Blake came in and I undressed Miss Rappe. We moved her to another bed.

"Arbuckle went out and then came in again. We gave Miss Rappe bicarbonate of soda. She threw it up.

"Mr. Fishback came in and helped us to put her in the cold bath. He carried her back to the bed. Vir-

HIGHLIGHTS OF STORM IN OREGON AND WASHINGTON.

Gresham, Or.—Damage from storm is estimated at \$500,000.
Vancouver, Wash.—Clarke county escapes brunt of storm, but rivers, including Columbia, are rising.

Tillamook, Or.—Rain storm sends rivers out of banks. Two bridges and trestle washed away. Lowlands and farm homes flooded.

Seattle, Wash.—Blizzard in western Washington abates somewhat. Snow 23 inches in Kittitas valley.

Everett, Wash.—Snow 40 inches deep at east portal of Cascade tunnel.

Salem, Or.—Willamette river up to 21 feet and still rising.

Chehalis, Wash.—Flood of Chehalis and Newaukum valleys threatened. Steady down-pour melts snow.

Centralia, Wash.—Building collapses under heavy snow.

Yakima, Wash.—Business still at standstill. Valley under 18 inches of snow.

Oregon City.—Pipe line over Clear creek is washed out. Clackamas river way up and Molalla river is out of banks.

Astoria, Or.—Gale of 57 miles rages outside heads.

ginia cried, 'He hurt me' after we gave her the bath.

"She was screaming. Arbuckle said, 'Aw, shut up; I'll throw her out the window if she doesn't stop yelling.'"

She then said Arbuckle picked up a piece of ice, tortured her indescribably with it and said, "This will make her come to."

At the conclusion of Miss Erevon's direct evidence court adjourned until this afternoon, when it was expected she will be rigidly cross-examined.

Earlier in the morning the state sprang a surprise witness in the person of Dr. H. Edward Castle, who hitherto had not figured in the case.

Castle testified that he had been called to the bedside of Virginia Rappe, with whose death Arbuckle is charged with responsibility, by Sid Wirt Spreeckels. He arrived, he said, one minute after the film actress passed away. He testified that he noticed a bruise on her right arm. The defense asked him no questions.

11TH HOUR DEFENSE FAILS.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 22.—The eleventh hour attempt of the defense to secure a delay for Arthur Burch, for his alleged part in the murder of John Belton Kennedy, failed today. Judge Reeve ruled that he must go to trial today as scheduled.

WORK HALTED ON STREET.

The heavy rains have completely stopped work on South Stephens street for at least a few days. Nothing can be done under the prevailing conditions and good weather must be had before the contractor can continue with the grading. The wind last night tore down the barricades at each end of the connecting strip, and several cars passed over before the barricades could be restored.

SERVICE IS CRIPPLED.

G. O. McGillivray, lineman for the Postal Telegraph Co., was in the city today from Canyonville looking after the interests of his company. He found a telephone pole south of this city near the dam which had been completely destroyed by fire, hobnobbed probably having got a little short of fuel and utilized the timber. Mr. McGillivray stated that his telephone company has had no direct connection with Portland since Sunday night, the heavy storms of the past few days having crippled their service to a great extent, as has been the case with numerous telephone lines as well as the Western Union. He is busy getting the service in shape again.

HUNTERS ARE FINED.

Anderson Winkelman section foreman at Byers and R. E. Gilbert, and D. J. Perry, all residents of that station, were arrested today by Deputy Game Warden Walker charged with having venison in their possession. They pleaded guilty and paid fines of \$50 and costs each.

WATER POWER IN CANADA.

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 22.—(United Press.)—Canada is harnessing its streams and turning the power to production. A two-year survey by the Dominion Government which is just being completed shows that wheels and turbines to the extent of 2,471,000 horse-power are now in operation. This represents only 5.9 per cent of the water-power resources which the survey places at 41,700,000 horse-power.

Industrial experts are urging rapid installation of hydro-power plants with a view to providing machinery and other farm supplies at lower cost and thus hasten, in a measure, settlement of idle lands.

LEGISLATURE WILL BE ASKED TO INVESTIGATE THE NORTH UMPQUA FISH DAM

Engineer Left Job When Plans Were Changed and Refused to Stand Responsible For Life of Structure—Made Report to Fish Commission.

The destruction of the dam at the North Umpqua fish hatchery has not only caused a loss to the state of \$15,000, which has been literally thrown away, but it has seriously crippled the plans for the propagation of salmon for the North Umpqua river. Local sportsmen are understandably aroused over the matter and declare that the legislature will be asked to make an investigation into the construction of the dam and the reasons for changes in certain plans and specifications.

The dam was torn out by the first high water. Both ends gave way and allowed the river clear sweep around the heavy cribbing in the center, which was also shifted slightly, according to the meagre reports received. It is a difficult matter to secure details regarding the destruction of the dam as the telephone line was torn down by a falling tree. A splice has been made in the government line and by working through Glide over the forest service telephone reports have been received from the north side of the river. It is impossible to cross the stream and no one has been able to reach the hatchery from Glide. Jim Hayes, road supervisor in the Rock Creek district, made a short report to Roadmaster Floyd Frear, using the government telephone, and stated that the river's course has been changed up against the north bank and is undermining the county road.

The destruction of the dam brings to light a controversy which resulted in the removal of Engineer Robert C. Wygant, when he protested a change in his plans and specifications and tendered his resignation when the commission persisted in making the change. Mr. Wygant refused to stand responsible for the bridge and at that time predicted that it would not withstand high water should the altered plans be adopted. The Fish commission and contractor, on the other hand, claimed that Mr. Wygant was inefficient and that his plans called for more expensive construction than necessary.

The chief controversy was over the construction of the sills and their foundation. The engineer's plans called for sills to be placed lengthwise with the current, and bolted to bedrock. The plans however, were altered so that the sills (round timbers) were laid at right angles to the current. When struck by the high water the timbers rolled throwing the entire structure out of alignment. It is also charged that instead of bolting all of the sills to bed rock, as was provided for by the original engineer, some of the sills were placed on a large gravel bed in the middle of the river, the contractor protesting that it would be too expensive to remove the gravel and reach bed rock. Long bolts were driven into the gravel to hold the sills in place, it being claimed that this would be sufficient.

Engineer Wygant refused to remain on the job with these changes in effect and immediately resigned, forwarding a lengthy report to the Fish commission. Mr. Wygant, after drafting his plans submitted them to a number of well known engineers of the state, who after a careful examination informed him that the dam was good and that he had provided for a reserve strength of at least 50 per cent. The changes in his plans, however, he claims, weakened the structure greatly and consequently he refused to accept the change. After outlining the procedure under which the plans were formed and adopted and calling attention to the fact that bids had been called for, Mr. Wygant in his official report, a copy of which is in the hands of the Fish commission said:

"On June 18th I received a telegram asking me to come to Portland. On June 20th in conference with the Director of Fisheries and Mr. T. A. Sweeney, of the Inland Construction company, the director of fisheries decided that the contract would not be bid on by and contractor, that he would be signing his life away.

"The Director of Fisheries thereupon instructed Mr. Sweeney to take the plans and contract and re-draft a new contract which would be more satisfactory.

"Notwithstanding the fact that the state had bids already offered on the original contract from L. W. Metzger of Roseburg, J. H. Wheeler of Winchester, and Steinger Brothers of Portland, the contract form (not the plans or specifications) was changed and re-drafted by Mr.

Sweeney and bids were re-advertised to close the 26th day of June.

"The above mentioned contractors re-submitted bids, which were not opened until Thursday, the 7th day of July, when Mr. Sweeney, as low bidder was awarded the contract.

"In the contract form drawn by the engineer particular attention is called to that clause which provides that the cofferdam shall be constructed by the contractor and that he may use such material as the state has on hand at the dam site.

"In the contract drawn by the contractor this clause was eliminated and escaped notice until actual construction was started, whereupon the state under the substitute contract was compelled to purchase 8,000 grain sacks at 7 3-4 and 8 cents apiece amounting with freight from Portland and truckage from Roseburg to \$699.50.

"On the 18th, 19th and 20th the contractor, unable to empty the cofferdam, floated eleven of the forty foot sills into place spreading them by bracing and guys over their proper distance in about four feet of water.

"The engineer ordered them removed until the gravel was cleared off bed rock. The contractor was unable to do this because of the depth of water in the cofferdam.

"The director of fisheries arrived at the dam August 20th and after a conference with the contractor decided to change the direction of the sills which rested on rock so that their course should be at right angles to the current, order a new bill of timber from the woods if necessary; place brush as a matting to hold the gravel in place. The engineer was not consulted as to the proposed change in plans and specifications and left the job. Later in the day the director of fisheries informed him that his services would no longer be necessary and that the contractor would complete the dam.

"In auditing the accounts of material and services to the state the engineer estimates that by reason of the latter contract and change in the plans for the foundation of the dam the contractor is saved approximately \$3500 and the state has incurred an unforeseen additional cost of \$700. The engineer assumes no responsibility for the structure under course of erection. As is does not conform to the design and specifications its efficiency and life are matters of conjecture.

Robert C. Wygant.
J. R. Wheeler, superintendent of the Winchester power plant, who was appointed state inspector on the dam following the change in plans, states that the first plans were not practical. A fifteen foot gravel bed not mentioned on the first plans, was found by the contractor, Mr. Wheeler says, and to dig through the gravel and bolt to bed rock would have cost the state a much larger sum of money than was appropriated for the project. After this was discovered the plans were changed, he says, and an attempt was made to weigh down the dam, by rock cribs. It is possible, he says, that the state has not yet accepted the dam and if so the contractor and his bondmen will be held responsible for the loss.

WORK ON BUDGET CONTINUES.

The county budget committee continued its work today. The task of forming the budget is a difficult one and is taking considerable time, although it is hoped to have it ready tonight. The committee is finding it necessary to make several reductions and many requests for additional funds will doubtless be turned down as the county has a very small margin on which to operate and some heavy deficits must be made up.

UNION THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

The Union Thanksgiving service will be held in the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening at 7:30. Rev. A. L. Caldwell, pastor of the Baptist church, will preach the Thanksgiving sermon. A special invitation to attend this service is extended to all.

GUNMEN RESUME SHIPING.

BELFART, Nov. 22.—Gunmen resumed sniping under cover of a mist which blanketed the city early today and one man was killed in the York street area. A pedestrian, wounded yesterday, died during the night. These deaths bring the total since the rioting broke out Sunday to four.